

Minden Progress

HALIBURTON COUNTY

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CENTENNIAL

1874

Keepsake Edition

1974

**ONE
HUNDRED
YEARS OF
PROGRESS**

One hundred years. Yes, it's a long time... a lot of births and deaths, heartbreak and joy; much work and, as we look about us, tremendous satisfaction. Now, in 1974, as we join in celebrating our Haliburton County's Centennial Year, let us continue the good works and pass on to the generations to follow an unspoiled and even better Haliburton County. Let's preserve the heritage of our Highlands.

It is with great pride that the Minden Progress brings you this Haliburton County Centennial Keepsake Edition, a chronicle of our County and its member municipalities.

The Progress joins with its many advertisers in congratulating Haliburton County on this its 100th birthday.

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THE PROVISIONAL COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

Greetings

I take this opportunity to invite all Residents and Visitors of Haliburton County to participate in the upcoming Centennial Events and Celebrations. I ask you to Help us Celebrate One Hundred Years of Progress as The Provisional County of Haliburton completes a most important page in its History.

The Provisional County of Haliburton has many Pioneer Families and Residents who can ably boast a proud and unique heritage. Many early settlers of Haliburton County found their way from the United Kingdom to this part of Ontario through the efforts of The Canadian Land and Emigration Company and the London England Corporation. Haliburton County was named after the Chairman of The Canadian Land and Emigration Company, Thomas Chandler Haliburton. Mr. Haliburton who left his native Nova Scotia to return to London, England to become a Member of the British House was best known for his writings of 'The Sayings and Doings of Sam Slick of Slickville'. Mr. Haliburton has been referred to as the father of North American Humour.

The Provisional County of Haliburton has a Unique History and this has been related by Florence B. Murray in her book 'Muskoka and Haliburton' 1615-1875. In 1962 Harley R. Cummings wrote 'Early Days in Haliburton' a documented version of the early survey, and Lumbering history, and our County is proud to present the Third Edition of Nila

Reynolds book 'In Quest of Yesterday' which deals largely with the early settlers, their customs and their ambitions.

Early Settlers in Haliburton County were impressed with its natural beauty, its rugged terrain and its many lakes and streams and its dense forests. It is these natural features that have generated and fostered the Haliburton County that we are all so proud of to-day. From the dense forests evolved many logging companies over the Century and to-day we boast the largest producing Hardwood Mill in the world, G.W. Martin Lumber Company Limited. From the many lakes and natural beauty sights came the Tourist Resorts and Cottage Development. These two commodities produced by nature provide our Economic Base to-day, and will continue to provide it in the future.

The future of Haliburton County is bright, we can still boast fresh water, many undeveloped lakes and the Natural Beauty that was prevalent one hundred years ago. One asset that cannot be overlooked is our friendly and proud peoples, their past generations and how they met the first one hundred years with determination and pride, I say to you that this determination and pride is still with us as we challenge our Second One Hundred Years as the Provisional County of Haliburton.

WARDEN MURRAY G. FEARREY

THEN AND NOW

A Warden's Diary 1974



WARDEN
MURRAY G. FEARREY

MAY 13/74

Attend Dysart Council 8.30 a.m. - 12 noon and 1.15 p.m. to 6 p.m.

7.30 p.m. Drove to Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home for Committee of Management Meeting.

9.45 p.m. Drove back home to Haliburton, read daily newspaper, mail and discussed municipal lighting problem at Kennebec Lake with Councillor Bannan. Retired at 11 p.m.

MAY 14/74

7.30 - 11.30 a.m. Place of business

11.30 a.m. Drove to Municipal Office in Dysart re Application for Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home. Had lunch.

12.30 - 5.30 p.m. Place of business.

6 p.m. - 12 p.m. Attend Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet.

MAY 15/74

8.45 a.m. Talk to Lloyd Coneybeare, member of Dysart Council re: Dysart Centennial Project.

9.00 a.m. Drove to Minden for County Council Session.

10.00 a.m. - 12 noon. County Council Session.

2 p.m. - 4.45 p.m. County Council Session.

5.00 p.m. Visited Minden Progress re: Centennial Edition of newspaper.

5.30 p.m. Returned home to Haliburton for dinner, read mail, answered letters and four telephone calls re: municipal matters.

Retired at 10.30 p.m.

MAY 16/74

7.30 - 11.45 a.m. Place of business

11.45 - 12.45 p.m. Lunch and discuss Centennial Day at Ontario Place with Secretary-Manager of Chamber of Commerce, Larry Petrótt, as well talked to County Clerk re: letters to be written resulting from County Council Session.

12.45 - 5.30 p.m. Place of business

5.45 - 6.15 p.m. Talk to Municipal taxpayer re land severance.

6.15 - 8.30 p.m. Talked to Councillor Harold Bannan re: Dysart Centennial Project.

8.30 - 8.30 p.m. Wrote Warden's message for local newspapers.

8.30 p.m. Watched 5th game in Stanley Cup finals, then retired.

MAY 17/74

7.30 - 12 noon. Place of business

12 noon. Talked to Dysart et al Reeve Roy Brohm concerning Municipal matters.

12.00 - 12.30 p.m. Home for lunch.

12.30 - 9.00 p.m. Place of business. Talked to Councillor Lawrence Morrison re Dysart Centennial Project.

9.00 - 10.00 p.m. Met with members of Dysart Council re Centennial project.

10.00 - 11.00 p.m. Read mail and newspaper and retired at 11 p.m.

1874

May 17 - Walked to Harcourt 30 miles 9-1/2 hours. Staid at J. Roberts

May 18 - Remained in Harcourt all day settling various business matters. Staid at J. Roberts.

May 19 - Returned to Haliburton at 4 p.m. having left Harcourt at 7 a.m. 30 miles, 9 hours. Rec. letter from Manager. One year in employ of Company.

May 20 - In office. Sundries. John Carnegie & Bird came to Haliburton on survey of P.H. R.R.

May 21 - Went with Carnegie & Bird and Wm. Holland and explored line for P & H Railway from Haliburton to SW angle of Dysart.

June 13 - Sunday. Raining all day. Went to Mr. Hollands' funeral. Went to church in the afternoon - Mr. Reeve.



FIRST WARDEN
ALEXANDER NIVEN

June 14 - In office. Talk with Coates. Wrote description of cemetery. Charge council \$2.00.

(Mr. Alexander Niven was a Provincial Land Surveyor and agent for the Canadian Land and Emigration Company.)
Reeve

THESE PIONEER HANDS



BELONG TO THIS PIONEER LADY



MRS. ISOBEL HOGG, 94, OF GLAMORGAN
ONE OF THE COUNTY'S OLDEST CITIZENS.

THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANSON, HINDON & MINDEN

Early Days



Summer Creek on Gulf River, Minden, Ont.



MAIN ST. HINDON, ONT.



St. Paul's Church, Minden, Ont.



South Water Street, Minden, Ont.

History

The Municipality was legally incorporated on January 1st, 1945, when the Townships of Anson and Hindon amalgamated with the Township of Minden.

The first Council to take office at that time was:

W.L. MacArthur, Reeve
George A. Crofts, Councillor
Bert McNeill, Councillor
Lawrence Pritchard, Councillor
Frank Welch, Councillor

This year's Council:

Reginald Booth, Reeve
Douglas Pritchard, Deputy Reeve
Shirley Brandon, Councillor
Alan Coneybeare, Councillor
Robert Gorrie, Councillor
Richard Parisotto, Clerk-Administrator

The Village of Minden dates back to 1859, eight years before the Confederation of Canada, and became the County seat of government when Haliburton County was established fifteen years later in 1874. This year Minden celebrates its 115th Anniversary.

With lumbering and farming being part of its history and culture, one of the main institutions in the Minden area was the Minden Agricultural Society which will hold its 110th Annual Fair on August 23rd-24th and 25th, 1974.

The Municipality boasts two additional centres - Carnarvon with a long and colourful history of its own, and Ingoldside which is regarded as one of the most beautiful spots in all the Highlands.



REEVE
REGINALD BOOTH

Minden Womens' Institute

By JEANNE SEARS

In three years, the Womens' Institute will celebrate their 70th anniversary. This was formed in June, 1907, with President Mrs. W.M. Fielding, V.P. Mrs. D.J. Hartle and Secretary Treasurer Mrs. Dean. Only Charter Member of the Institute, Mrs. William Welch (Helen Peck) died just last year. On reading the minutes of meeting held in those early years, one had the feeling that from the first there has been a golden thread of co-operation between town and country folk. For some years there existed a 'Farmers Institute' recalling that farming was more important then. Speakers many times included an address on subjects of interest to the farmer.

In Nov. 1906, Mrs. S. Phillips attended the Provincial Convention in Guelph, as our first delegate. Many projects have been done over the years--the Orange Grove for a picnic site, donations to the library, hockey club. The old Town Hall built in 1860's received care over three years, a fire escape, a gallery, chairs, scenery, curtains (hundreds of dollars). They worked strenuously for the Children's Shelter at Haliburton and the Temperance Cause and in 1922 with 7 members attending, the project was launched to finish the stone cemetery fence, 4 feet high and 106 feet in length. By 1924 this was completed at a cash cost of \$625.00, a fitting Memorial with its iron gates bearing the names of the veterans. With Mrs. T. Prentice as President and an average attendance of 7 to 10 this took some doing.

The W.I. gave the land which was used as a playground and now once again this is a playground. Being the most northerly branch, we have many times chartered a bus picking up passengers from Norland and Cobocook Branches to attend District Annuals. Thus also we enjoyed the A.C.W.W. Day at Maple Leaf Gardens in 1961.

Our motto 'For Home and Country' has led us to help fire victims, and Projects as Tractors for Greece, Sewing Machines for Ceylon. We have joined in donations to help Federated Womens' Institutes in purchasing the founders home, Adelaide Hoodless, and lately Erlend Lee Homestead.

Our membership at the moment is about 40 and at meeting we have informative papers and demonstrations, and of course, a social time. We now have Annual Bus Trips and have been to Niagara, Ottawa, Guelph, Ontario Centre to mention a few. We have supported the Fair, had a booth there for many years serving meals, or lunches and gave money for School Fair Prizes. We are compiling a Tweedsmuir History with many important articles and family histories in this. We have a Card Convener and she sends cards to sick, shut-ins or bereaved as well as new arrivals.

This is an active group and we welcome new members at all times. The date of our meetings is the third Wednesday, usually in the afternoon. Ages range from younger ladies to our senior member Mrs. J. Fairfield. Come and join us at our Annual Pot Luck Picnic at the home of Mrs. Wallace Walker Curator, on June 19th at 2 sharp.



Minden Businesses 1864-1885

1864 - 3 General Stores

1866 - 3 General Stores

1 store for furs and shoes

1871 - 3 General Stores (Andrews, Switzer, Bell, Dunlop, Langton, Manson, Peck.)

Lumber - Wm. Gainer

Tavern - T. Leary

1875 - 4 General Stores (W. Gainer, J. Langton, S. Peck, Young & Scott)

Taverns (McCracken, T. Leary, D. Buck, M. Humphrey)

Doctor and Druggist - C.D. Curry

Blacksmiths (Mark Morrisson, J. Pearce)

Printer - Sarney & Co.

Shoes - Jas. Wilson

Sawmill and Gristmill - R. Workman

Tinsmith - A. McIntosh

1881 - Population 300

3 Taverns

2 General Stores

Woolen Mills - J. Goodman

Druggist (1) Doctor (1) Blacksmiths (2)

Sawmill (1)

Tailor (1) Butcher (1) Carpenter (1)

Implement Dealer - Garret, Fielding

1885 - General Store - J.F. Young

Sawmill - Sinclair Shaw

Woolen - W.A. Sweetman

UFO's

THE PAST 100 YEARS

by Peter Sweet

Even one hundred years ago man was looking to his neighbouring planets searching for some common form of life; maybe to find a benefactor, or answers to some of the problems of that day.

I think the following items tell a story:

APRIL, 1874: 'Spectral analysis, confirmed by the chemical analysis of meteorites, has familiarized us with the idea that all the bodies of nature, the planets of our system as well as the suns most distant from us, are composed of the same elements and animated by the same physical forces, even to the most delicate and minute details. Since therefore these same forces act under our eyes as essential agents of life, we are naturally led to consider the conditions of organic existence on our globe as applicable to the circumstances of other species. If

our earth is inhabited, why not the other orbs that fill up space, seeing that the same matter is everywhere present? The eminent French astronomer Faye, in considering this question, concludes that although the chemical elements necessary to life are largely extended throughout the universe, the requirements of temperature, water and atmosphere exclude almost all heavenly bodies, so that we are barely able to cite two planets of our system, Mars and Venus, where the conditions of life have any shadow of probability of existing, and on the only globe of which we can speak with certainty, the moon, we know them to be utterly absent.'

Or again, Apr. 24/1874: 'I saw an object of so peculiar a nature that I know not what to make of it. It was dazzlingly white, and slowly traversed the disk of the moon. I watched it after it left the moon's face.' (Prof. Schafarik, of Praga, now Czechoslovakia).

The first important U.F.O. wave in modern times took place in 1896-97: Historian Lucius Farish and others have now collected thousands of newspaper reports covering the sightings of that period and a number of important patterns are apparent. Thanksgiving week 1896, the flap began with extensive sightings on the West Coast in the San Francisco area. In Mar.-Apr. 1897 it spread to the Midwest with particularly heavy concentrations of sightings and landings in the Mississippi Valley. This has now

become a standard pattern (Saga Magazine).

In 1902, Dr. Simon Newcomb mathematically 'proved' that the airplane could never fly.

In 1913 some 15 to 20 glowing objects were seen passing over a 2,400 mile long path across Southern Canada. They travelled three abreast with at least four lights in each column. They were spherical and of a reddish gold color. Each row had a tail of light behind them about forty miles long. A thunder-like roll accompanied their passing.

Astronomers with powerful telescopes saw each light to contain twenty to forty smaller lights. Scores of people witnessed this event and The Royal Astronomical Society of Ontario catalogued the reports that came in.

What do the many sightings that have been going on since last Oct. mean? Are we at last going to make contact with a higher intelligent alien race at last or will the patterns continue for another hundred years? If we are contacted will they supply us answers to the complexity of our problems of survival; pollution; aging; energy, etc. When Haliburton celebrates its 200th year birthday in the year 2074, what will man be struggling with then. Possibly he will be dealing with time travel or, then again, maybe we'll still be trying to figure out how to get along with one another.

**CENTENNIAL
CONGRATULATIONS
TO
Haliburton County
ON ITS
FIRST 100 YEARS**

COX'S APPAREL

Minden

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Haliburton County
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CHARLES BRANDON

**BEST WISHES
TO
Haliburton County
ON ITS
100th BIRTHDAY**

WAGON WHEEL MOTEL

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**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS
TO
Haliburton County
ON ITS
100th ANNIVERSARY**

THE PINE SHOP

Minden

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**BEST WISHES
TO
Haliburton County
ON ITS
100th BIRTHDAY**

DOMINION DEPARTMENT STORE

Haliburton

457-1630

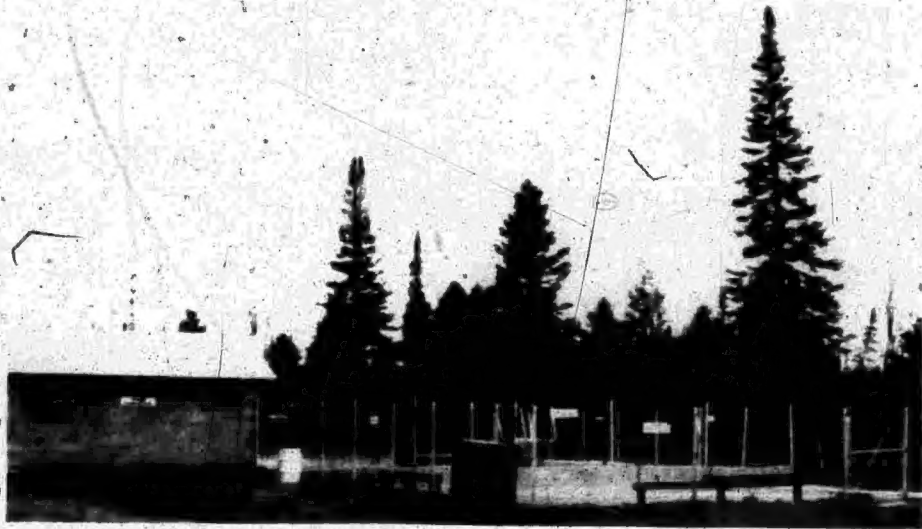
**BEST WISHES
to
Haliburton County
ON ITS
100th BIRTHDAY**

BEAVERBROOK GOLF CLUB
35 YEARS IN BUSINESS

Minden

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THE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF BICROFT



FORMED AS A RESULT OF A MID-1950's URANIUM BOOM, THE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF BICROFT IS THE ONLY HALIBURTON COUNTY MUNICIPALITY BOASTING AN OUTDOOR, HEATED COMMUNITY SWIMMING POOL (TOP). IT IS LOCATED IN THE TOWNSITE OF CARDEFF. IN THE BOTTOM PICTURE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN JERRY HOWARTH STANDS BESIDE A SEWAGE LAGOON THAT SERVES THE TOWNSITE OF CARDEFF AND WHICH HAS A CAPACITY OF 10,000 FAMILIES.



DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

JERRY M. HOWARTH

History

During the mid 1950's a uranium boom in the Bancroft area took place. Several mines opened in the area, Faraday, Bicroft and Dyno mines were the major mines to operate and required large staffs. With this influx of people to the area, a need for living accommodations arose. Many alternative sites were proposed and finally a site was picked in Cardiff township.

In order to handle the various problems arising from this proposal, the area became known as the Improvement District of Cardiff. The area finally became known as the Improvement District of Bicroft in June, 1956 and the remainder of the area went back to Cardiff township.

The affairs of the new area were administered by a Board of Trustees who were appointed by an order-in-council from the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Ontario. The board was comprised of a chairman, vice-chairman, a single member and a secretary-treasurer. The first chairman being John M. Thompson.

The townsite built was comprised of 280 homes during a period from 1956 to 1958. Fifty of the homes were owned by Dyno Mines and 150 by Bicroft Mines Ltd. These homes were occupied by employees from both mines. In order to accommodate supervisory staff, an additional 15 homes were built at Dyno and 18 homes at Bicroft mines.

In the period that followed, a public school was opened in the townsite in the fall of 1957, with an enrolment of 300 children.

During the next two years, two new churches were built to serve the needs of the people. The Catholic Church opened in August 1958 and the United Church in February, 1960.

Just as all appeared to be going well, the demand for uranium seemed to dwindle and in early 1960 Dyno mines closed and Bicroft Mines cut back on their staff. Finally, in 1963 Bicroft Mines closed. Since there was no work in the area, most of the residents left the townsite to go to other areas. This resulted in the townsite having only a handful of citizens.

In order to salvage the townsite the Real Estate firm of Bowes & Cocks Ltd., made a deal with C.M.H.C. and promoted the sale of homes as the buy of the times. The main promotion was as a retirement area. Many who purchased these homes retired there or did so at a later time.

In the years between that time and now, the homes changed hands many times and were purchased by families who came to the area to work and found a shortage of accommodation. Today the townsite has many retired people still living there with steadily increasing younger families moving into the townsite.

At the present time, new homes are being built in the townsite along with a new community centre, which seems to indicate that the townsite is on the move again and has all the ingredients to grow larger in the future. If as much happens to the townsite and the Improvement District in the next 15 years as has happened in the past 15 years, we have much to look forward to in the future.

The present Board of Trustees are:

Mr. J.M. Howarth - Chairman
Mr. R.E. Estabrooke - Vice-Chairman
Mr. L.G. Sturk - Member
Mr. S. Ryan - Town Foreman
Mrs. P.M. Ray - Secretary-Treasurer

CENTENNIAL CONGRATULATIONS

TO

Haliburton County

ON ITS

100th BIRTHDAY

AUSTIN'S ESSO STATION

Minden

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BEST WISHES

TO

**Haliburton
County**

ON ITS

100th BIRTHDAY



CURRY MOTORS LTD.

CENTENNIAL CONGRATULATIONS

Sincere best wishes to the Provisional County
of Haliburton on this its 100th anniversary from
the staff of the Minden and Haliburton Offices

of

Bowes & Cocks Ltd., Realtor.

DAVE CHATFIELD

HARRY DAVIS

CEC HALL

AL HODGINS

IRENE HODGINS

DOREEN JAMES

JACK MACKAY

KEN SANDERSON

MARTHA SIMS

MARJORIE YOUNG

LYNN CRAIGMYLE MGR.

LINDA BILLINGS REC.

BONNIE COWEN REC.

HALIBURTON Centennial Day At

May 25th



PROG

HALIBURTON LEG
PARADING THROUGH

12 TO 1 P.M.

2 TO 3

AT THE FORUM

12.30 ARCHIE STOUFFER

1.00 HALIBURTON CENT

1.45 STEVE MAIN DWAIN

"GUITAR D

2.00 CARDIFF SENIOR C

SQUARE

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-TO CONTINUE TO

2.45 TO 3.30 MINDEN RO

3.30 HALIBURTON GLEE

4.00 SANDY ROSCH "PIA

4.15 BARNHART SISTERS

4.30 HIGHLIGHTS OF "T

5.00 TO 5.45

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6.45 HALIBURTON CEN

7.15 "STEAMIN" MINDEN

7.15 TO 9.30-MUSIC BY "

TABLE DISPLAYS

HALIBURTON-HIGHLANDS

HALIBURTON HOCKEY HAY

HALIBURTON COUNTY SNO

N COUNTY Ontario Place

, 1974

RAM



ON PIPE BAND
OUT THE GROUNDS

P.M. 4 TO 5 P.M.

R SCHOOL BAND
ENNIAL CHOIR
THOMPSON
"QUO"
TIZENS
DANCE"
E HIGHLANDERS
2.45 P.M.

CKIN' ROTARIANS

CLUB
NO SOLO"
S "QUARTET"
HE EMERALD ISLE"

HIGHLANDERS.
HE CARDIFF SENIOR
IS
RTON COUNTY

NNIAL CEREMONIES
-WITH PIPE BAND-
DIGNITARIES
LE AT 6.30 P.M.

TENNIAL CHOIR
N ROCK GROUP
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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WMOBILE ASSOCIATION



CENTENNIAL GREETINGS

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FROM COUNTY COUNCIL
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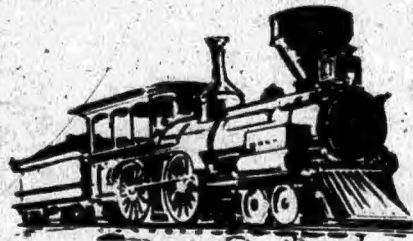
MEMBERS OF STAFF
PROVISIONAL
COUNTY
OF
HALIBURTON

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COUNTY where life is living - for everyone

BEST WISHES

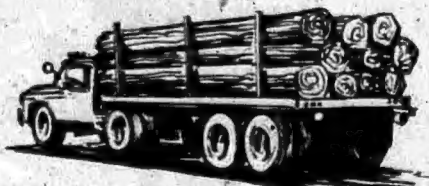


TO

Haliburton County

ON YOUR

FIRST 100 YEARS



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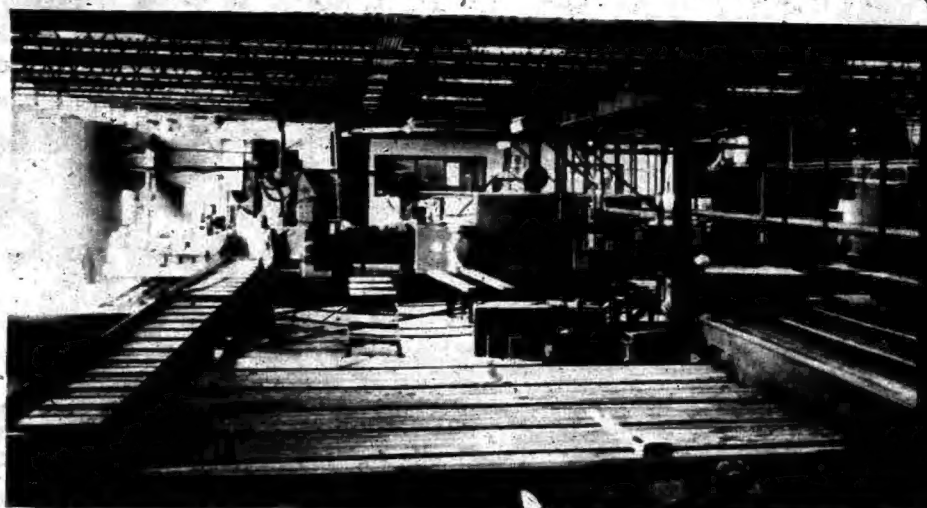
LUMBERING

For much of Haliburton County's first 100 years lumbering was its economic heartbeat. Now second only to tourism, lumbering still plays a vital role in the County's economy. Pulp chips, for example, are a key factor in sawmilling today with some 3-4 million dollars worth of chips produced in Haliburton County annually, (photo below). Unheard of until 1965, chips are used for the production of newsprint and fine papers.

Years ago scenes like this (top right) were commonplace in Haliburton County as horse-drawn sleighs hauled logs to the mill.

Below, right, is shown the interior of a present day, automated sawmill. Approximately 25 to 28 million feet of lumber is produced annually in Haliburton County. In fact, there is more timber cut today in the County than ever before in its history. This year is expected to set a record with the production of approximately 30 million feet of lumber, 100,000 tons of chips and 1-1/2 million board feet of veneers. Some \$12 million of forestry products are produced each year in the County and due to selective cutting procedures future annual production will exceed this figure on a perpetual yield basis with about two times more being grown each year as cut.

(Courtesy G.W. Martin Lumber Ltd.)



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS
TO
Haliburton County
ON ITS
100th ANNIVERSARY

MINDEN MARINE

Minden

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CENTENNIAL
CONGRATULATIONS
TO
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FIRST 100 YEARS

MINDEN TEXACO

Minden

286-1434



Coat Of Arms



A MESSAGE OF FRIENDSHIP AND A FRAMED COPY OF THE COAT OF ARMS OF CARDIFF, WALES WERE TAKEN NEARLY 4,000 MILES TO THE TOWNSHIP OF CARDIFF, ONTARIO, CANADA, BY WELSH EMIGRANT, MRS. DAISY HEATON. IN THE PICTURE SHE IS SEEN PRESENTING THE FRAMED COAT OF ARMS TO THE REEVE OF THE COUNCIL, MR. MALCOLM MCGILLIVRAY AT THE CARDIFF TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

THE TOWNSHIP OF CARDIFF

A Brief History

This township was surveyed in 1862 and was named after the town of Cardiff in Glamorganshire, Wales, noted for its castle and church, founded A.D. 1100. The town is situated on the Bristol Channel and was once surrounded by a wall in which were five gates. None of the gates remain, but considerable portions of the wall, with a watch tower, are preserved on the eastern side, where the ditch has been cleared up, and used for the bed of the canal. Robert, Duke of Normandy, son of William the Conqueror, was confined at Cardiff for twenty-six years by order of his brother William I. In the time of Charles I, Cardiff Castle was betrayed into the hands of Cromwell by a royalist who led the troops into the castle through a subterranean passage.

Cardiff Township is the largest in the County, and has twenty-two concessions at the east side along the Hastings County border. (There are actually 23 concessions that border Hastings County; only 22 that border Monmouth on the west.)

In 1871, the Monck Road was extended from the west to the Burleigh Road, a road that had been built northward from Burleigh in Peterborough County. The corners, at the junction of these two roads, was called Woods' Corners, afterwards Cheddar, because a post-office was established there of that name. Mr. Woods built a store and served meals and lodging to travellers. There was a blacksmith shop and several dwellings. The walls of a building erected for a town hall, stood there for many years, but what was once a nice little village, gradually became a memory only, after Mr. B. Woods' store had been burned.

Mr. William Ogilvie was one of the first Reeves of the Township of Cardiff, serving on Council in 1881-82 and 1884-85 as Reeve. He came to Cardiff in 1871 from Grenville, Quebec by way of Burleigh Falls and settled at Deer Lake, where he built a store and kept the post office. He also had a blacksmith shop and controlled the business of the neighbourhood until the L.B. & O. Railway was built to Highland Grove, where they soon had a large cheese factory and two stores, beside a shoe shop, etc.

His grandson, Malcolm McGillivray is presently Reeve of Cardiff Township having first been elected in 1968. He served as Warden of the Provisional County of Haliburton in 1972. His father Hugh McGillivray was Reeve from 1917 to 1920 and from 1933 to 1935 and was Warden of the County in 1919. Mr. McGillivray's grandfather Malcolm McGillivray Sr. came to Cardiff Township from Eldon Township in Victoria County in 1876 and settled on the shore of Paudash Lake.

Cardiff Township, originally surveyed in 1862, is located in the south-eastern portion of Haliburton County. Until 1878, Cardiff Township was part of the United Townships of Glamorgan, Monmouth and Cardiff. Thomas McLaroy and William Ogilvie were two of the first Reeves to serve on Council.

Settlers to Cardiff Township followed the Burleigh Road from the south and the Monck Road from the east and west. Settlements such as Highland Grove prospered as a result of the completion of the L.B. and O. Railway during the early part of this century. Farming and lumbering were major economic activities. During the 1950's the uranium industry came to Cardiff Township with the establishment of the Dyno and Bicroft Mines.

From a year-round population of 400, Cardiff each year



REEVE
MALCOLM MCGILLIVRAY



REEVE 1884-1885
WILLIAM

BEST WISHES

TO

Haliburton
County

ON ITS

100th

BIRTHDAY

WALKERS LUMBER AND
BUILDING SUPPLIES
LIMITED

Minden

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CENTENNIAL EDITION "IN QUEST OF YESTERDAY"

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THE MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

History



REEVE ROY BROHM

On behalf of the Municipality of Dysart et al and all the people of the Provisional County of Haliburton, may I sincerely wish you and yours many happy returns of the year - may it be a banner one in all our lives.

One Hundred years have passed and you have better opportunities for a full and rewarding life than ever before.

We inherited a great deal from the pioneers who chose the Beautiful Highlands of Haliburton as their home.

We must never forget those who learned to survive in a new world among the lakes and forests.

The people of Haliburton County have received a rich endowment of wisdom and nature - may we cherish it for generations to come. You, the pioneers, have been part of our history, and will be increasingly so in the years that lie ahead.

I would like just very simply on behalf of all the people in this Highland paradise to say thank you for your contribution in the past hundred years and the part all will play in the future.

May I wish one and all good luck and continuous prosperity in the coming years.

Sincerely Yours,

Roy Brohm.



Standard Chemical Co., 1909, Donald



STANDARD CHEMICAL PLANT AT DONALD

The Standard Chemical Plant situated at Donald was the largest heavy industrial plant in the County in the early 1900s operating from 1909 to 1940 and provided much employment in the Haliburton-Donald area during that time. Due to a shortage of labour many employees were brought to the area from Italy who remained in the area after the plant shut down and became solid, respectable families. During full operation the plant directly and indirectly employed hundreds of men.

The plant used approximately 20,000 cords of cordwood each year which was cut within a radius of 30 miles of Donald and hauled in to the plant on the ice in winter over the lakes by horse and sleighs. The main products of the plant were charcoal, acetate of lime and wood alcohol. The acetate of lime and wood alcohol were used for manufacturing explosives during the first World War.

This plant contributed largely to the development of this area of Haliburton County as hundreds of thousands of dollars were spent each year in labour and wood supplies, railway shipping costs, repairs, etc. A large boarding house was maintained in Donald for some of the employees. During 1912 to 1916 Mr. Thomas Hodgson was the General Manager, coming here from the Standard Chemical Plant at Longford. The late C.W. Hodgson who was Federal Member of Parliament for this riding for 20 years was one of the main suppliers of cord wood for the plant for many years.

This information contributed by Frank Hodgson of Haliburton who lived in Donald for some time as a child while the plant was in operation.

In 1861 the Canadian Land and Emigration Company purchased from the Government of Upper Canada nine townships consisting of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre and Clyde, now known as 'The Municipality of Dysart et al' with their Municipal Office in the Village of Haliburton in Dysart Township.

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We have now had 103 councils, the present members being:

Roy Brohm - Reeve
Murray Fearrey - Deputy Reeve
Harold Bannon - Councillor Ward 1
Lloyd Coneybeare - Councillor Ward 11
Lawrence Morrison - Councillor Ward 111
Wayne B. Wood - Clerk-Administrator, AMCT.

Our municipality in the beginning was one richly timbered, and for many years the main industry was lumbering and logging. That industry has now declined and we look to Tourism as one of our main attractions.

Our municipality has a great many beautiful lakes, many of which have been developed, thus adding both populace and financial aid to our economical development. Our resident population soars in the summer from 3309 to some 55,000 or more.

We feel that we have a great deal to offer in our Churches, Service Clubs, Arenas, Schools, Hospitals. A true sportsman's paradise and four seasons playground.

Centennial activities planned for the balance of 1974 include:

June - Mayflower Ball; July - Legion Carnival; August - Rotary Carnival; September - Centennial Ball; October - Colourfest.



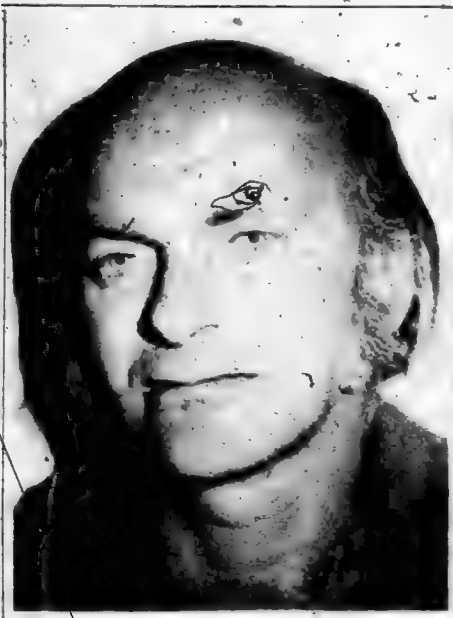
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REEVE ROBERT BEENEY

THE MUNICIPALITY OF LUTTERWORTH

Namesake of a market town in Leicestershire, England, situated on the River Swift, Lutterworth Township was surveyed commencing in the fall of 1858. The survey was completed in the following year with the building of the Bobcaygeon Road along the eastern boundary of this Township.

To-day Lutterworth Township is a very popular tourist area. Its many lakes, among which are Davis, Spar, Clear, East Moore's, Moore's Gull, Black, Denna, Lutterworth, and Big, Middle and Little Bob Lakes, are lined with cottages to which people throng on weekends year 'round. Lutterworth is proud to claim two well-known boys' camps, Kilcoo and Onondaga, as well as a University of Toronto camp for engineering training.

Township records of 1884 show that the Lutterworth Council was made up of the following members:

Reeve - David Galloway

Councillors - John Bowron

John Hulbig

David Chalmers

Francis Bellrev

To-day the Council of the Township of Lutterworth is composed of:

Reeve - Robert Beene, Jr.

Deputy Reeve - Lloyd Walker

Councillors - Ingram Wessell

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The Minden System

Telephone Subscribers

Mr. Editor

After listening to the discussion at the annual meeting of the Haliburton County Telephone Association, I have decided to write a few lines. The public show, as a general rule, have no right to be charged a fee for the use of the telephone. It would be a waste of money to have collected and returned a charge for the use of the telephone to those who are not subscribers. Others have decided a quite general use by their telephone subscribers.

We know not what by laws may be passed by the Commission touching the matter in question, but all appears to be to be manifestly unfair. The system is a general free use by persons who do not subscribe, and it is not fair to charge a fee for the use of the telephone. It is a waste of money to have collected and returned a charge for the use of the telephone to those who are not subscribers. Others have decided a quite general use by their telephone subscribers.

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Tragedy

February 7th again, the tragedy of the death of a young man, Mr. Edward Hughes, occurred in the town of Minden.

A number from here attended the funeral at St. John's Lutheran Church, which was held on Saturday afternoon.

Master Johnnie Pined had his last look at his father, who had been laid out in the parlour of his home.

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St. John's by Gelert

Decidedly Improved
The Annual Vestry Meeting of St. John's Lutheran Church was held on Saturday, January 27th, 1923.

The report of the Church Warden was read, showing a very satisfactory condition of the church property.

The following improvements and additions to the church property were made during the year.

The driving shed, which for a number of years has been in a state of disrepair, was completely renovated.

The outside of the church was given a new coat of paint.

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The world may seem dark and cold, but mother's love is the light that guides you.

There is no power like mother's love. To lift you when you're down.

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Investments

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Coburn Lady Has Serious Accident

The driver of a car, Mrs. Coburn, of the town of Minden, had a very serious accident on Wednesday last.

Meeting Called re Railway Project

Preparations are being made for the holding of a general meeting on Tuesday, February 13th, at the town of Minden.

Mr. N. Parker spoke Sunday at his home.

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Manor Fire Claims Three Young Victims

One of the most shocking tragedies that has occurred in the town of Minden, was the fire at the farm house of Mr. Wm. Thompson, near the town of Minden.

Three of the children, aged 8, 9 and 10, were killed in the fire.

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Kennett Home Destroyed by Fire

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House was Burned Near Birch Point

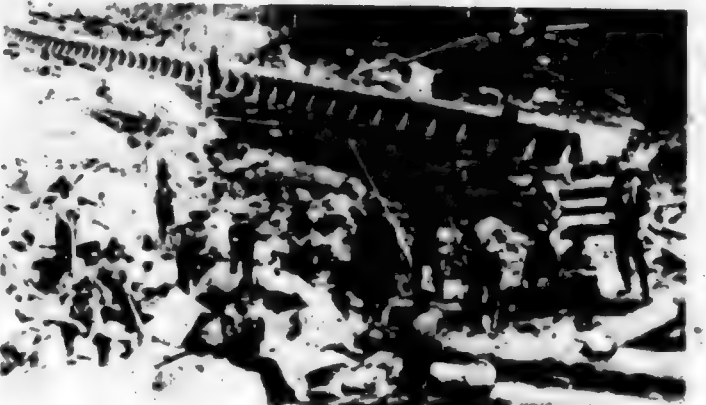
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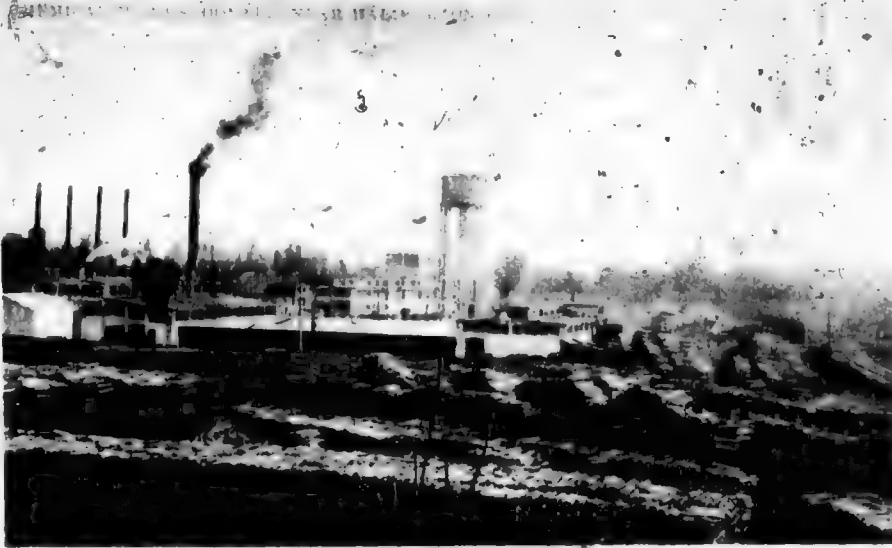
The logging era

Logging began each year in late summer. Throughout the fall lumber camps became operative - cutting gangs cut the logs and skidding gangs piled the logs in large skidways. Bush roads were located and constructed in each camp area. Early in January the drawing of the logs

began on iced draw roads and over frozen lakes to the sawmills - softwood logs were drawn to the nearest lake and piled on the ice. In this spring the paddle wheel steam boats pulled the raft of logs across the lake and the exciting river drives began.



Donald Wood Products



Donald Wood Products

This Charcoal and Chemical Industry began operation at Donal in 1908. Later purchased by the Standard Chemical Company Limited and operated until 1945. The store, post office and houses were the property of the company. The payroll for the factory. The woods operation. The cutting of many thousands of cords of wood was helpful to the area economy. In the thirties, the depression years. They paid \$5.50 per cord and it had to be mostly split maple. Contract called for a cord of wood to be 4' x 8' x 52" and they advanced \$1.75 when wood was gut and piled and a second advance of \$1.00 when wood was swamped and piled on a main road, the balance \$2.75 was paid when delivered, piled and inspected in Donald.

(Ron J. Curry)

... the sawmills

By Ron J. Curry

Many lumber sawmills, small, medium and a few large mills operated throughout the county in the past 100 years.

Most used steam power and a few waterpower. Many of the smaller mills used a steam tractor that had been used for threshing grain. In addition to sawing lumber many produced cedar shingles, basket bottoms, staves, barrels heads and fish boxes.

A few interesting books have been written and records are available for those interested in the romance of lumbering and sawmills.

This story is about a sawmill built on the river in the centre of Haliburton Village in 1864 by John Lucas and William Ritchie. In the 1870's the mill was rebuilt by the land company including a new water wheel and equipment. This mill was burned in 1892 and it was several years before it was replaced.

In 1903 the William Laking Lumber Company purchased timber limits and built a new waterpower mill, several years later this was destroyed by fire. A larger mill was constructed including the production of cedar shingles and basket bottoms. This mill was covered with heavy metal siding and roof to prevent the serious fire hazard caused by the large burner used to burn the sawdust and smaller slabs.

Along with their logging camps they gave employment to many people. Two other comparable sawmills were also operating, with steam, and on the lake in the village for much the same period of time. The Laking Lumber Company ceased operations in 1928 and many of the timber and all the metal siding was used to build the new hockey arena in 1932.



Haliburton's First sawmill 1864



Sawmill operated by the Land Company



CANADA

PRIME MINISTER - PREMIER MINISTRE

I am very happy to extend warm greetings to staff and readers of The Haliburton County Echo on the occasion of the centennial celebrations.

Among our most valuable human experiences is surely our sense of community, our sense of membership, the sense that we belong and are participants together in a society that shares our fundamental traditions and values. When we join together to celebrate anniversaries, we are expressing our appreciation for the past, our hope for the future and our faith in the goodwill that unites us in the present.

May you all have a joyful 100th Anniversary.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau



Pierre Elliott Trudeau
Prime Minister

Ottawa,
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A message from the Warden

MURRAY FEARREY

Early settlers in Haliburton County were impressed with its natural beauty, its rugged terrain and its many lakes and streams and its dense forests. It is these natural features that have generated and fostered the Haliburton County that we are all so proud of to-day. From the dense forests evolved many logging companies over the century and to-day we boast the largest producing hardwood mill in the world, G. W. Martin Lumber Company Limited. From the many lakes and natural beauty sights came the tourist resorts and cottage development. These two commodities produced by nature provide our economic base to-day, and will continue to provide it in the future.

The future of Haliburton County is bright, we can still boast fresh water, many undeveloped lakes and the natural beauty that was prevalent one hundred years ago. One asset that cannot be overlooked is our friendly and proud peoples, their past generations and how they met the first one-hundred years with determination and pride. I say to you that this determination and pride is still with us as we challenge our "Second One Hundred Years" as the Provisional County of Haliburton.

I take this opportunity to invite all residents and visitors of Haliburton County participate in the upcoming centennial events and celebrations. I ask you to help us celebrate one hundred years of progress as The Provisional County of Haliburton completes a most important page in its history.

The Provisional County of Haliburton has many pioneer families and residents who can ably boast a proud and unique heritage. Many early settlers of Haliburton County found their way from the United Kingdom to this part of Ontario through the efforts of The Canadian Land and Emigration Company a London, England corporation.

Haliburton County was named after the Chairman of The Canadian Land and Emigration Company, Thomas Chandler Haliburton. Mr. Haliburton who left his native Nova Scotia to return to London, England to become a member of the British House was best known for his writings of "The Sayings and Doings of Sam Slick of Slickville". Mr. Haliburton has been referred to as the father of North American humor.

The Provisional County of Haliburton has a unique history and this has been related by Florence B. Murray in her book "Muskoka and Haliburton" 1815-1875; in 1962 Harley R. Cummings wrote "Early days in Haliburton" a documented version of the early survey, and lumbering history; and our county is proud to present the third edition of Nila Reynolds book "In Quest of Yesterday" which deals largely with the early settlers, their customs, and their ambitions.

A Cent's Worth

Can you recall the cent given you
That was pay for the chores we used to do?
When we pumped the water so sparkling clear
Or filled the wood box for Mother dear.

Or we ran an errand for our friend next door
The sweet old lady we did things for
Or when Bill and Aunt dew came to call
As they usually did in the spring and fall

Then we washed the dishes and swept the floor
Mother entertained while we did the chore
And whenever our helpful aid we lent
Our reward was always a great big cent.

To the general store we could now repair
But first we must straighten our platted hair
And change to a "pinney" all fresh as new,
For hadn't it hung in the morning dew.

Just inside the door at the general store
Was a show-case filled with sweets galore
There were tasty morsels to greet the eye,
Oh the precious "tid-bits" a cent could buy.

There were all day suckers of every hue
And the sour balls priced at a cent for two,
But the sight that could make any child's heart skip
Was the wonderful, magical licorice whip.

When the germ in our minds became a bug
Then we bought for our cent a licorice plug
And many a kid got quite a thrill
As he wickedly "chawed" like Uncle Bill.

There were peppermint sticks that stuck like glue,
There were candy hearts that said "I love you".
And we were never to hesitate
To treat the pal who had not one cent.

Candy out of the show-case felt so nice
With no bag cover at that small price
And I've half a notion, though you may doubt
That the licorice whip put the germs to route.

The cent that we earned between nine and four
Burned in the pocket of what we wore.
A sweet tooth worried the minds intent
Until the money was duly spent.

The simple joys that we children knew
Have changed like the cent which has been changed too.
But, my friend, you will never know content
Till you've tasted joy with one big round cent.

Mavis Noice.



Miller's Store

On Pine Street, Haliburton,
Is a replica of yore,
An old pine board building
Called Miller's General Store.

There's been fine shoes and work boots,
There's been cork boots on the floor,
And it has lasted in two centuries
For a hundred years or more.

There's been river drivers and timber jacks
And farmers by the score,
They came in wagons and ex-carts
To trade in this old store.

It was built by Boyd and Irwin,
Their headquarters for to be,
To serve all their lumber camps
About eighteen-sixty-three.

Fred Freeman served as a clerk there
Back in the days of yore,
And through a deal when they were through
Fred Freeman owned the store.

The years Fred Freeman ran this store
Was seventy-two or three,
When through old age he had to retire
In nineteen-thirty-three.

The next owner was Art Gillam,
A man who blended tea;
He was the man who started curling
In this lumber country.

He bought the store in thirty-nine
But passed on through heaven's door
Then his wife tired of the business
Sold to Ed Miller in Fifty-four

The shelves are bright and moulded,
There is an old softwood floor,
There is ice cream cakes and canned goods
And pies and cakes galore.

There's material for those who saw
And a shirt for dear old dad
There is candy for the little ones
The best you ever had

Now, if you're over in Haliburton
And you like things back in yore,
You're always sure of a welcome
At Miller's General Store.

E. Miller



A typical early general store

Bicroft

The Improvement District of Bicroft was originally a part of the Township of Cardiff and is situated on the boundary lines between the Counties of Haliburton and Hastings. However, in 1957, it was decided to incorporate the mining Townsite known as "Cardiff", with the outlying areas which included the Bicroft Mine and the Management Houses, plus the Dyno Estates and the Dyno Mine into an "Improvement District". Therefore, on January 1, 1958, the "Improvement District of Bicroft" was incorporated. This meant that the total affairs of the Municipality would be administered by a Board of Trustees which were and still are appointed by the Ministry of Treasury, Economics and Intergovernmental Affairs with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

Construction in the townsite began in 1957. There were two hundred homes built plus Cardiff Elementary School. A little later a Catholic and United Church were constructed. Anglican services are now also held in the United Church. There is a Royal Canadian Legion Branch 566, a Cardiff Community Club, and a New Horizons Senior Citizens Committee. The number of homes in the townsite is gradually increasing with the selling of serviced lots in the Townsite.

The weekend of May 18-20, 1974, has been set aside as our weekend to celebrate Haliburton County's Centennial. On the Saturday afternoon our new Community Centre will be officially opened and several events have been planned to co-ordinate with its opening.

The present Board of Trustees are:

Mr. J. M. Howarth - Chairman
Mr. R. E. Estabrooke - Vice-Chairman
Mr. L. G. Sturk - Member
Mr. S. Ryan - Town Foreman
Mrs. P. M. Ray - Secretary-Treasurer

Other Coming Events: Thursday, May 16th,

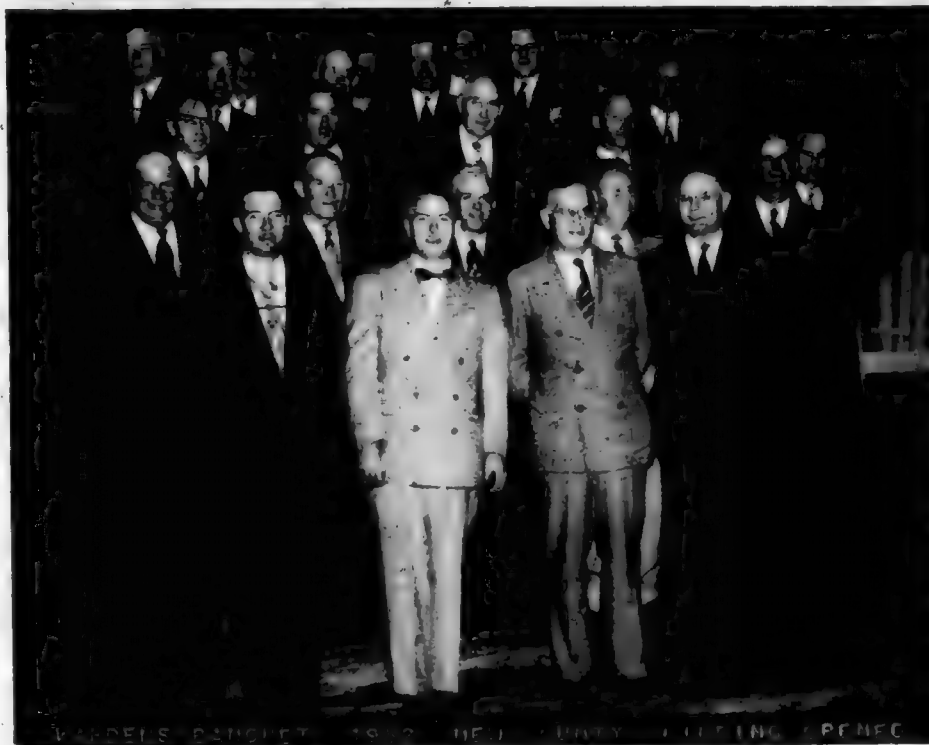
1974
Prelude Concert by the
Toronto Symphony Bass
Quartet
at
Haliburton Highlands
Secondary School

Cardiff

Cardiff Township, originally surveyed in 1862, is located in the south-eastern portion of Haliburton County. Until 1878, Cardiff Township was part of the United Townships of Glamorgan, Monmouth and Cardiff. Thomas McInroy and William Ogilvie were two of the first Reeves to serve on Council.

Settlers to Cardiff Township followed the Burleigh Road from the south and the Monck Road from the east and west. Settlements such as Highland Grove prospered as a result of the completion of the I.B. and O. Railway during the early part of this century. Farming and lumbering were major economic activities. During the 1950's the uranium industry came to Cardiff Township with the establishment of the Dyno and Bicroft Mines.

Cardiff Township is abundant in lakes such as Eel's, Paudash, Deer and Monck which offer a variety of recreation both winter and summer. The Council for Centennial Year 1974 is as follows: Malcolm McGillivray-Reeve; Councillors: W. James Ross, Louis Ruthven, Mac Peters, and John Stapley.



1952 County Council

Anson, Hindon, Minden

The Municipality was legally incorporated on January 1st, 1945, when the Townships of Anson and Hindon amalgamated with the Township of Minden.

The first Council to take office at that time was

W. L. MacArthur, Reeve
George A. Crofts, Councillor
Bert McNeil, Councillor
Lawrence Pritchard, Councillor
Frank Welch, Councillor

The Village of Minden dates back to 1859, eight years before the Confederation of Canada, and became the County seat of government when Haliburton County was established fifteen years later in 1874. This year Minden celebrates its 115th Anniversary.

With lumbering and farming being part of its history and culture, one of the main institutions in the Minden area was the Minden Agricultural Society which will hold its 110th Annual Fair on August 23rd-24th and 25th, 1974.

The Municipality boasts two additional centres - Carnarvon with a long and colourful history of its own, and Ingoldsby which regarded as one of the most beautiful spots in all the Highlands.

The Municipal Council wishes to take this opportunity of wishing everyone Centennial greeting with a warm welcome to all visitors to the County.

Reginald Booth, Reeve
Douglas Pritchard, Deputy Reeve
Shirley Brandon, Councillor
Alan Coneybeare, Councillor
Robert Gorrie, Councillor
Richard Paragotto, Clerk-Administrator

CENTENNIAL PROJECT: Some 30 Minden Boy Scouts and Cubs are planting 4,000 trees in Minden Park on Saturday, April 27th, and will be selling pledges to cover the cost of the trees.

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Our municipality in the beginning was once richly timbered, and for many years the main industry was lumbering and logging. That industry has now declined and we look to Tourism as one of our main attractions.

Our municipality has a great many beautiful lakes, many of which have been developed, thus adding both populace and financial aid to our economical development. Our resident population soars in the summer from 3309 to some 55,000 or more.

We feel that we have a great deal to offer the public in our Churches, Service Clubs, Arenas, Schools, Hospital, Fire Department and Ambulance Service.



1974 County Council

Snowdon

On Monday, January 19th, 1863 the Town Council of the Township of Snowdon held their first meeting at the home of Mr. B. Sawyers, Gull River. At that meeting, Mr. Robert Ritchie was appointed Reeve, other members of Council were: Thomas H. Earl, Adam H. Garratt, Henry Phillips and Hiram Wilcox. The following year the township united with Glamorgan and Monmouth but in 1865 Monmouth withdrew and from that time until the creation of the Provisional County of Haliburton in 1874 the Townships of Snowdon and Glamorgan were united.

At the time of the formation of the new County, the spelling of the name of the Township was changed from Snowden to its present format.

Two former Reeves of the Township (Samuel S. Peck 1864-1866) and William C. Scott (1865) were subsequently elected to the Provincial and Federal Governments respectively.

In the latter part of the 19th century with the coming of the Victoria Railway, and, following the discovery of iron within the Township, the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa Railway, the economic life of the township prospered. The villages of Gelert and Irondale in particular booming during this period. The population also increased and passed the 1,000 mark in the 1890's.

Following the failure of the iron mines and the forest fire of 1913 which laid waste some 40,000 acres within the township, the economy suffered a severe setback, farms were abandoned and by 1921 the population had dwindled to 618.

Unlike most of the townships within the County, the Township of Snowdon is not blessed with an abundance of lakes and has thus not been able to attract much of the cottage trade influx of recent years. The shores of South Lake and the portions of Canning and Salerno Lakes which are within its boundaries have been developed for the benefit of tourist and resident alike.

The Council of the Township of Snowdon congratulates the Provisional County of Haliburton on a century of progress and service.

Robert J. Vick, Reeve.
Gareth K. Kellett, Deputy Reeve.
Mrs. Grace Simmons, Councillor.
Ronald Graham, Councillor.
Gene Newell, Councillor.

Glamorgan

On June 30, 1874 the first Council of the United Townships of Glamorgan, Monmouth and Cardiff met at the home of Samuel Whittaker in Gooderham. Council was comprised of the following members:

Philip Harding, Reeve, Township of Cardiff
John Ennis, Councillor, Township of Cardiff
Robert Ritchie, Councillor, Township of Monmouth
Samuel Whittaker, Councillor, Township of Glamorgan
Walter R. Kidd, Councillor, Township of Cardiff

The United administration continued until the Township of Cardiff separated in 1878 and the present system of administration began in 1881 when the Township of Glamorgan and the Township of Monmouth were divided.

The Township of Glamorgan was primarily a lumbering area and the Burnt (or Irondale) River provided the mode of transportation for logs coming, not only from the Township of Glamorgan, but also from the areas to the east. The village of Gooderham, situated on the river, became the main centre with three hotels catering to the lumbering trade. Lumbering remains the main industry in the Township today.

Being both scenic and accessible, the lakes in the Township of Glamorgan have become well developed providing recreation for local residents as well as a great number of people from outside the immediate area. The well-known Haliburton Hockey Haven is situated on the northern boundary of the Township.

The Township Council wishes each and every resident of the County a rewarding Centennial year and extends greeting to all visitors.

Robert Fotheringham, Reeve
Norman Locke, Deputy Reeve
Glen Bird, Councillor
Roy Breen, Councillor
Larry Hunter, Councillor
Elva V. Bates, Clerk-Treasurer.

Glamorgan Centennial Projects: Construction of a Fire Hall and Publication of "Tales of the Trail" by Theodore Peacock.

Sherborne, Mc Clintock, Livingstone

The Township of Sherborne was incorporated in the year 1876 with the township of Stanhope and was known as the Townships of Stanhope and Sherborne.

In the year, 1898 Sherborne withdrew from Stanhope to become the United Townships of Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale with the first Reeve being George I. Tuft.

It was at this time that the railway from Parry Sound in the North and Peterborough in the south was completed. Then in the year 1935 the Ontario Government in their knowledge saw fit to take Lawrence and Nightingale and to include them into Algonquin Park. It was through these townships the railway was built.

Again it was about this time that the real value of this railway was in doubt and it was slowly dismantled.

Sherborne, McClintock and Livingstone is about 95% Crown Land, with no farm lands. Progress through the years has been steady, remains limited, but bright.

We are very proud to be part of the Provisional County of Haliburton in this our Centennial Year, and we hope to share our part in its future.

The present Council is comprised of Arthur L. Lock, Reeve; Douglas Russell, Deputy Reeve; and Councillors Fred Baum, Olga Cunningham, and Donald Shortreed.

Dorset is the main community and an active Lyons Club and Council are planning Centennial street dances throughout the summer.

CENTENNIAL EVENTS: Prelude Concert by Toronto Symphony Brass Quartet on Thursday, May 16th in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School - sponsored as a Centennial project by the Eagle Lake Women's Association.

Stanhope

The original survey for the Township of Stanhope was commenced in October 1859, by G. W. Stewart, P. L. S., and the results of this survey were presented in a report to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, in July, 1860. Mr. Stewart in this report stated, "The Township of Stanhope with its numerous lakes, and boldness of scenery make it particularly attractive to the sportsmen and lover of Natural beauty". The Township was named for an English Earl, Philip Henry Stanhope, who composed a history of 18th century England.

Municipal records indicate the 1874 Council for the Township of Stanhope consisted of Reeve Andrew Brown and Councillors Henry Jones, David Keers, Nelson Taylor and Henry Fitzsimmonds. One Hundred Years later the Council consists of Reeve S. G. Nesbitt, Deputy, Reeve James Harrison, and Councillors Ken Whitney, Al Rawlins and Elvin Johnson.

As a result of excellent leadership and guidance from local government and the co-operation of citizens, for the past one hundred years, it is quite possible Mr. Stewart could still give the above statement in a report to - day.

CENTENNIAL EVENTS: Saturday, April 27th at Minden Municipal Park: "Trees for Canada" 4,000 trees to be planted by the First Minden Wolf Cubs and Scouts who are selling pledges toward the number of trees planted.

Victoria Railway

On December 24th., 1869 the name of the Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway was changed to the Midland Railway of Canada.

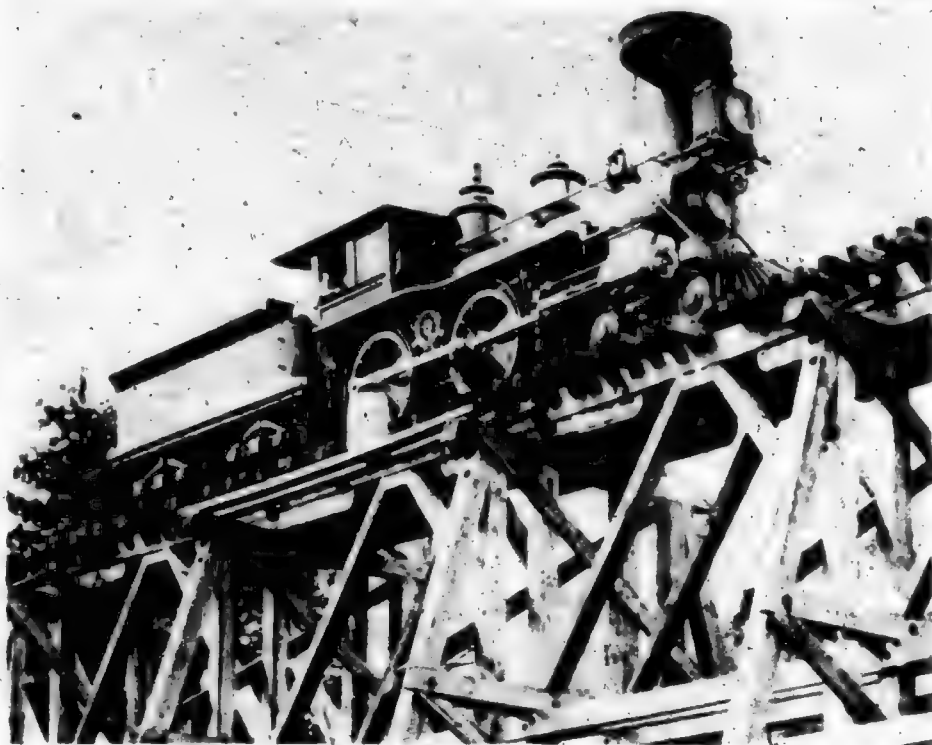
In 1870 an extension of the railway crossed the Scugog River on a pile bridge, with an opening for boats to pass, at a point just north of Colborne Street and at a point at the top end of William Street, swung west in pretty much a straight line for Beaverton and the shore of Lake Simcoe, where boat service provided a connection with Orillia. This line was opened for traffic on January 1st., 1871, and during that year was extended to Orillia and was opened for traffic on January 1st., 1872. In 1874 and 1875 the railway was further extended from Orillia to the shores of Georgian Bay at Waubaushene being officially opened for traffic on August 9th., 1875. This was not a good harbour and in 1879 the line was extended to Midland and opened on July 14th. of that year.

In the meantime the "Lindsay, Fenelon Falls and Ottawa River Railway" was chartered in 1872. It was to have been a narrow gauge line, running north from Lindsay through the back townships of Victoria and Peterborough Counties and on to join the prospective line of the Canadian Pacific Railway near Mattawa.

The name was soon changed to the "Victoria Railway" and the gauge 4 ft. 8 1/2 inches adopted.

Strenuous opposition to the road was raised by the town of Peterborough, the southern townships of Peterborough County, and the Township of Fenelon, while Lindsay, the unincorporated village of Fenelon, while Lindsay, the unincorporated village of Fenelon Falls, and the northern townships of Peterborough County gave their unanimous support to the project. Municipal blockades against bonus granting were removed in 1874 by making Fenelon Falls an incorporated village, and incorporating 23 northern Townships, 20 from Peterborough County and 3 from Victoria County, as the Provisional County of Haliburton. Bonuses were then forthcoming, and the turning of the first sod was done at Lindsay on August 5th., 1874, by the Hon. C. F. Fraser, Commissioner of Public Works.

The President and dominating spirit of the Company was George Laidlaw, later of Bexley; the Vice President was C. J. Campbell; and the Chief Engineer was James Ross, later a Montreal millionaire. The Directors were W. W. Copp, C. W. Bunting, J. C. Fitch, R. Barber, Wm. Thompson, George Stephen and H. P. Dwight.



Victoria Railway trestle

Specifications called for a 200 ft. bridge over the old Distillery Creek north of Lindsay, a 500 ft. bridge and a 3,000 ft. fill at McLaren's Creek; a \$20,000 bridge over the Otonabee river at Fenelon Falls, and 133 ft. single span Howe truss bridge over the Burnt River. Rock cuttings were heavy near Fenelon Falls and the

last four miles into Kinmount.

Work was twice interrupted during the general financial depression of 1875. A colony of Icelanders, some 300, men, women and children in all, had been brought in and settled at Kinmount in 1874 in order to help along the construction work. Dysentery demoralized

their efforts for a time, various difficulties arose, and they finally migrated to Manitoba in a body in September 1878.

Steel reached Kinmount in October 1876. Further railway work was held up for a time through lack of funds, but in 1877 Laidlaw secured a grant of \$8,000 per mile from the Provincial

Government and a bonus of \$3,000 per mile from the Canada Land and Emigration Company, which controlled a large part of Haliburton County.

The chief obstacles in the remaining 22 miles were heavy rock cuttings and a "sink hole" four miles north

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of Kinmount which swallowed up hundreds of carloads of rock, earth, trees etc. before it was finally filled and permanently bridged.

The 56 miles of railroad from Lindsay to Haliburton village were opened for traffic on November 28th, 1878.

At its Lindsay terminus the railway merely branched off from the Midland Railway of Canada at Victoria Jct. situated at the top of William St. North. This was most inconvenient and permission was received from the town to construct a line from Victoria Jct. down Victoria Avenue to a point at Russell St. West, where it connected with the rails of the Whithy, Port Perry and Lindsay Railway and made joint use of the passenger station which was then located on the east side of the tracks midway between Glenelg and Melbourne St.

The following grants had been made to the Victoria Railway: Lindsay \$85,000, Fenelon Falls \$15,000, Somerville Township \$15,000, Verulam Township \$7,000 and Haliburton County \$55,000.

The midland Railway of Canada bought up the controlling interest in the Victoria Railway in June 1881.

Ron. J. Curry

Victoria Railway Completed to Haliburton in 1878. Later the Grand Trunk now The Canadian National Railway.

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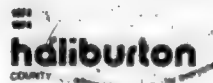
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The discovery of iron in Snowdon township set off an iron-rush culminating in the construction of the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa Railway which sparked the growth of the southern tier of townships it served. The first strike occurred in 1870 when W. Robinson, of Bobcaygeon, was clearing land for agriculture. Swift on its heels came the discovery of further iron bearing rock by J. B. Campbell of Port Perry.



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sparks growth in southern townships

Already the Monck Road and Burnt River had brought settlers to Devil's Creek; according to Mrs. Lillian T. Proctor of Irondale, a post office had been established there as early as 1867 or 8, when a Mrs. St. George arrived from Ireland with a young daughter and two teen-aged sons, to manage the Crown land she had taken in Galway, Cavendish, Glamorgan and Snowdon.

Until her home, the tin covered house on the White Lake road across from the old White Lake school (still standing in 1961) could be completed, she lived in a logging shanty on the shore of Wiley's Lake and stored her treasured household effects, transported across the ocean in heavy chests, with the obliging postmistress at Devil's Creek. Unfortunately the post office was destroyed by fire before she could move into her new home, and all her possessions were lost.

When the next postmaster whose identity is known, Peter Barr, arrived in 1877, he built a home (also standing in 1961) beside the Monck Road, about a mile further east and kept a store and post office until he moved to Gooderham around 1910. Barr was a man of ingenuity and courage; when the black diphtheria swept the district, he saved his children by desperate measures. When they contracted the disease, he swabbed out their throats with a solution of carbolic acid; all recovered.

When iron was discovered in the district, his satanic majesty lost out to the new dreams of wealth and Devil's Creek post office, became Irondale.

By 1874 enough settlers, including Sam Hancock, had settled at Furnace Falls, 2 miles west of Irondale on the Burnt River, to justify a post office. It was kept by Jeremiah Herlihey.

So rosy did prospects of "iron in them thar hills" appear, that in 1875 a Toronto lawyer called Short opened the Victoria Iron mine and hoarse voiced teamsters urged panting teams toward Kinmount with wagon loads of laboriously mined ore which eventually reached the smelter at Cleveland.

Lack of capital closed this venture until 1878 when a second Toronto investor, an engaging Irishman, M. Miles, took over. Convinced by extensive drilling and tests that the ore was marketable, he formed the Snowdon Iron Mine Company and financed and built 6 and 1/2 miles of single track rail line from Howland, on the Victoria Railway north of Kinmount, to Irondale on the south shore of the Burnt River. He spent \$60,000 and was able to ship a number of cars of ore before bankruptcy overtook him.

Others to grasp the iron ring of Snowdon's merry-go-round mining ventures were two Chicago business men, Parry and Mills, who spent \$200,000 on a smelting furnace and equipment. Unfortunately the main smelter building was constructed of wood on a steel frame, although the furnace where the pig iron was made was stone lined. After the operation was purchased by Pusey around 1887, the smelter and buildings were destroyed by fire.

For years after, whenever the settlers needed nails for any purpose, they sent their sons to search the ruins for the square iron nails which survived the blaze in abundance.

Charles J. Pusey is undoubtedly the best remembered of all the iron speculators; while engaged in the railway supply business in New York State, he became interested in Snowdon's reports of iron as told him by a young engineer who had been employed there.

In 1881, Charles Pusey formed the Toronto Iron Company and with American friends bought out the existing smelters, railway, etc., and aided by L. B. Howland (he later married one of Pusey's three daughters) made an extensive survey of the south Snowdon area, and uncovered the Irondale ore body.

Irondale village benefited to the extent of a surveyed town site and a white frame Church of St. John the Baptist built by Charles J. Pusey in 1889. It contains a dedication tablet of iron ore taken from the mine in October, 1881, which was placed there in 1951 by a grandson, James M. Howland.

An Echo dated March 12, 1885 sets forth Pusey's proposal to establish two furnaces of thirty ton capacity for the production of pig iron which would daily consume 240 cords of wood. A yearly consumption of 87,600 cords would produce 22,000 tons of pig iron. The furnaces would employ 500 men and the mines the same amount. The Company proposed to put 50 more settlers in each nearby township to farm and cut wood for the smelter. The railway, furnaces and mine would provide a market for all farm produce and all along the railway line would profit, especially Snowdon, Glamorgan, Monmouth and Harcourt.

How did the regular inhabitants of Irondale react to all this mining activity? The same Echo carries this under Irondale Items:

"Jobbers in this locality have got out some ties, stovebolts and iron ore, but the "pay-boss" is very slow about handing over the cash. The iron mine business is moving very slowly. As the "Inquisitive Boy" would say, what is the reason? Because the men think they

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- 9 Stanhope



...The Great I.B. & O.

are working for a dead-horse. What makes them think so? Because they have worked for the same before. A former correspondence in the Echo says the miners were going to work with the Co's old broken down engine, but unfortunately (or fortunately) they had to throw it out because it refused to do its work. Jobber Shintz has finished his job and made \$400 clear of expenses, and jobber Lake is working away yet. He looks a little dull. Jobber White will make a good thing this winter, as he says he will get married in the spring if 'she' does not go back on him."

The Toronto and Nipissing Eastern Extension Railway Co., had been incorporated March 3, 1880, to build a railway from a point on the Toronto and Nipissing Railway through Victoria, Haliburton, Peterborough and Hastings to the Ottawa River, but nothing was accomplished. However, with Howland and Pusey pushing the project, not only was a charter secured, but government financing as well. Authorized by an act passed March 25, 1884, the Irondale, Bancroft & Ottawa Railway was officially launched and construction commenced following the general direction of the Irondale branch of the Burnt River in an easterly direction. Pusey was responsible for the 15 miles of rails between Irondale and Gooderham. Howland for the extension to Bancroft.

At the beginning local men supplied the bulk of the labour force abetted by some Italians, but higher wages offered by the logging firms soon forced the Company to depend on 300 immigrants mostly Italian. How these exiles from vine clad slopes and sunny olive groves must have longed for their homeland as they shivered in the spring winds which iced the Burnt River! For them, the raw frontier railway could not have compared very favourably with the Appian Way which once knew the tread of the Caesars.

The first engineer on the I. B. & O. line was Mr. Sam Hancock, who paid affectionate tribute to his wife, by naming his old English woodburning engine, the "Mary Anne."

Built at Birkenhead in 1855 for the Grand Trunk Railway, the Mary Anne was purchased by the I. B. & O. in 1886. An old resident recalling her trial run, states that Mary Anne's first diet of softwood fence rails and pine stumps gave her indigestion and she vented her indignation by belching forth a cloud of sparks which kindled blazes along her route. Her crew had to work overtime to extinguish them. A regular schedule and improved diet cured Mary Anne and she served the I. B. & O. well until her retirement around 1906. A second engine was constructed for the I. B. & O. at Kingston, while the third was built in Manchester in 1873 and

purchased in 1902, both latter engines burned coal. When the time came for Sam Hancock to retire, he ran a hotel at Irondale; an earlier tavern keeper was named Armstrong.

Although the iron mines failed, the I. B. & O. did bring a measure of prosperity to the townships through which it passed. Farmers used it to market their produce and over its rails a continuous traffic of railway ties, telegraph poles, cordwood, cedar posts, basswood and poplar for the paper mills, shingle bolts and elm for barrel staves, passed. The line contained 50.96 miles of rails, including 22 bridges ranging from pile trestles to concrete and steel structures which varied in length from 12 to 301 feet. Mrs. Hugh McGillivray and seven other long time Highland Grove residents declare the rails reached there in either 1895 or 1896.

The I. B. & O. was, in its own endearing fashion, unique, it operated by calendar instead of clock, mostly at speeds which seldom exceeded the 15 miles per hour dictated by the light track and the curves of its road bed which were at some points as sharp as a lean hog's back. At Baptiste hill, 9 miles west of Bancroft, the upward grade was three and a half feet per hundred, a steeper incline than many in the Rockies. The rumour that Pine Stump Curve was named because the track was laid around a monster stump too big to move, was hotly denied by the men who chose the right-of-way.

Fortunately for the southern townships, many of the men who came to build the railroad, stayed to staff its stations and maintain its tracks.

On October 16, 1909, Mackenzie Mann & Co. Ltd., gained control of the I. B. & O. which in 1915 became part of the Canadian Northern Railway. The line maintained its corporate identity as a C.N.R. subsidiary known as the I.B. & O. Railway Co., until 1943 when an order-in-council integrated it into the C.N.R. as the Irondale subdivision of the Central Ontario region, Belleville division.

For 50 years the great I.B. & O. served the eastern townships well. Lumber milled at various points on the line and farm products were shipped from stations like Furnace Falls, Irondale, Gooderham, Tory Hill, Wilberforce, Harcourt, Highland Grove, Hughes, Baptiste and York River, to markets all over Ontario. Return trains carried imports and mail from all over the world.

Over the I.B. & O. fathers travelled on their way to World War I; their sons caught their last glimpse of home from the windows of its coaches on their way to the same battlefields in World War II. Young people boarded it, eager for new lives in the city and older

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Mining properties did not develop as anticipated; Pusey's Howland Mine with its 100 foot shaft and two drifts produced ore with too high a sulphur content for profitable manufacture, and it closed and in later years uranium milled to uranium oxide amounted to only a few pounds per ton making its freight potential practically nil.

For the I.B. & O., the handwriting was on the wall when a hearing was held at Haliburton by the Board of Transport Commissioners, on October 15, 1959. This transcript of the board's findings might well have been the obituary notice of the I.B. & O.

The line has had a long and useful life and like some other branch lines, has handled more traffic in former years than in later years. The changes that have taken place in the economy and industry of the area coupled with the development of paved highway transportation services by bus and truck, both private and public, have been influential in reducing traffic handled by this branch line to a weekly average of approximately two to three out-bound cars, mostly pulpwood and forest products and less than one inbound car. . . the Canadian National management see no prospect that patronage will increase to an extent sufficient to warrant

continuance of operation of the line.

Thus endeth a railroad!

In the spring of 1960, exactly half a century after the line was opened so optimistically, the last train of the great I.B. & O. made its run on Thursday, March 31, 1960. It marked the end of an era for Haliburton's southern townships.

During the summer that followed, the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa railway tracks were ripped from their bed and the original lighter rails of high grade steel sold to an American razor blade firm.

Already the weeds and seedling trees have sunk their roots into the rail bed while the untended bridges have begun to decay. Half a century from now nature will have obliterated all indications that a railroad, called by those she served the Great I.B. & O., ever passed this way.

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JUNE 18, 1874.

TOWN HALL, MINDEN
JUNE 18th, 1874.

The Municipal Council of the Provisional County of Haliburton met this day.

The following Reeves were present:—

A. Niven, Esq., Reeve of the United Townships of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, and Bruton.

James Langton, Esq., Reeve of the Township of Minden.

William Hartle, Esq., Reeve of the United Townships of Lutterworth, Anson, and Hindon.

Philip Harding, Esq., Reeve of the United Townships of Glamorgan, Monmouth, and Cardiff.

John R. Calvert, Esq., Reeve of Snowdon.

Joseph Beatty, Esq., Reeve of Stanhope.

Moved by Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Calvert,—That A. Niven, Esq., be Warden for this year.—Carried.

The Warden elect took the necessary declaration of office, and after returning thanks to the Council for the honour conferred, and the confidence reposed in him, took his seat as Warden.

MINUTES.

[1874.]

Moved by Mr. Hartle, seconded by Mr. Harding,—That S. S. Peck, Esq., be Clerk and Treasurer for this County.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hartle, seconded by Mr. Harding,—That a by-law for appointing a County Clerk and Treasurer be now read a first time.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Hartle the Council went into Committee of the whole on the second reading of the said by-law, Mr. Hartle in the Chair. Council resumed, and Chairman reported by-law read in Committee of the whole without amendment.

Moved by Mr. Hartle, seconded by Mr. Beatty,—That the above By-law be now read a third time, passed, signed, and Sealed.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Beatty, the Council adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow.

S. S. PECK,
County Clerk.A. NIVEN,
Warden.

SECOND DAY.

JUNE 19th, 1874.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. All the members present. The Warden, A. Niven, Esq., in the Chair.

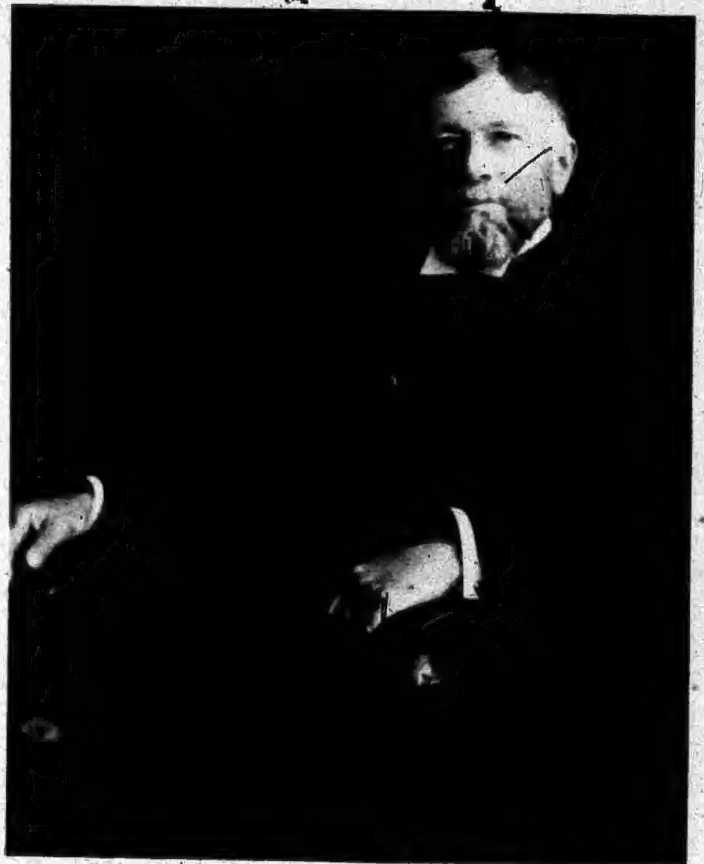
The Minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed.

The Clerk read applications from Rev. F. Bart and from Dr. Curry, for the office of Public School Inspector, which were received and laid on the table.

Moved by Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Hartle,—That the Rev. B. Buft be appointed Public School Inspector for this County.—Lost.

Moved by Mr. Calvert, seconded by Mr. Beatty,—That the appointment of Public School Inspector for this County be laid over until next meeting.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Hartle, the Council went into Committee of the whole for the purpose of equalizing the several Assessment Rolls, Mr. Calvert in the Chair.



ALEXANDER NIVEN

First Warden of the County of Haliburton For Many Years Reeve of Dysart et. al. Appointed agent of Canadian Land & Emigration Company. From May 19 - 1868 to June 1 - 1879.

(Ron J. Curry)

[1874.]

MINUTES.

On motion of Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Hartle, it was resolved that the lands in the Townships of Snowdon, Minden, Dysart, Lutterworth, and Anson, be equalized at two dollars and fifty cents an acre, and the lands in the Township of Stanhope at one dollar and fifty cents an acre, and the lands in the Townships of Glamorgan, Monmouth, Cardiff, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, and Hindon, at one dollar an acre.

Council resumed. Chairman reported the above resolution.

Moved by Mr. Hartle, seconded by Mr. Calvert,—That the County Clerk furnish the new Municipality of Glamorgan, Cardiff, and Monmouth, with a Minute Book, a By-law Book, the Statutes of Ontario, for 1873, and the Dominion Statutes for 1869, and some Stationery.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Hartle,—That the Warden and Treasurer be and are hereby authorized to loan from some Bank the necessary funds to meet the requirements of the County until the County rates can be collected.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hartle, seconded by Mr. Harding,—That the Warden and Treasurer be and are hereby appointed a Committee to endeavour to arrange the joint assets and liabilities with the Counties of Peterboro and Victoria.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hartle, seconded by Mr. Harding,—That a By-law for confirming the equalization of the several Assessment Rolls, be now read a first time.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Hartle, the Council went into committee of the whole on the second reading of the above By-law. Mr. Hartle in the Chair. Council resumed. Chairman reported By-law read in committee of the whole without amendment.

Moved by Mr. Calvert, seconded by Mr. Hartle,—That the above By-law be read a third time, passed, signed, and Sealed.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Hartle,—That a By-law for appointing sub-Treasurers of School monies, be now read a first time.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Calvert the Council went into committee of the whole on the second reading. Mr. Calvert in the Chair. Council resumed. Chairman reported By-law read in committee of the whole without amendment.

The Buckhorn Road

by R. Glen Hodgson, MPP.
Victoria-Haliburton

In this year of 1974 it would be of interest to take a look at the early Colonization Roads of Haliburton County in their Centennial year celebrations. With this in mind I have found through research on early Government books and documents the following brief history:

THE BUCKHORN ROAD: In the year 1867 the Commissioner of Roads reports: From Buckhorn Rapids or Hall's Mills in Harvey, the line is surveyed through to the south boundary of Dysart 34 miles. About 6 1/2 miles of the this road are made at a cost of \$1,000.00 per mile. We have spent on the above 6 1/2 miles \$6,187.00 and the last mile is not yet finished. We are under promise to complete this road through Harvey, when the Town of Peterborough deposit \$1,500.00 to our credit. Nearly 4 miles remain yet to make generally rough country.

In the year 1872 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - 14 1/2 miles of the above road has been built by contract under Specification No. 2 for cheap roads, at the rate of \$200.00 per mile. Total expenditure thereon \$2,929.32.

In the year 1873 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - A Contract was let early in the season to Mr. William Graham for the construction of the remaining unopened portion of this line, extending from the first concession of the Glamorgan to the south boundary of the Township of Dysart about 11 miles. The contract was taken on Specification No. 1 at the low sum of \$395.00 per mile. Mr. Graham struggled with his contract, until towards the end of September but on account of sickness, the difficulty of procuring labourers and more than all perhaps because of having taken the contract at a figure far below its actual worth, he formally resigned the work at the beginning of October, after having made about six miles of road, on which there has been paid the sum of \$2,190.00. **BUCKHORN ROAD REPAIRS** - 2nd. An appropriation was made to complete this road as a good summer road from Hall's Bridge to the Township of Glamorgan, a distance of about 24 miles. This work has been conducted under an overseer. On account of the difficulty of procuring a sufficient number of labourers, the work did not proceed so rapidly as was desired or as was necessary to complete the whole work during the season. The south end of the road line, also is of extremely difficult character to form into a good road bed, being unusually broken and rough, and destitute of soil, alternated with marshy swamps. The overseer extended his works to a distance of 17 1/2 miles at a total cost of \$2,996.69.

In the year 1874 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - The northerly end of this road was let by contract, as stated in your Report of the last season, but the Inspector's final report on

the works had not been received at that date. 7 1/2 miles and two chains of the road were completed for \$500.00 per mile. In addition to the amount Two distinct contracts were let on this road in order to effect the satisfactory completion of the same to the intersection of the Monck Road. 1st - the completion of 7 1/2 miles of the line was a summer road which had been constructed as a cheap winter road. 2nd - the construction of that part of the line in the Township of Cavendish which had not been opened in any manner, a distance of 1 1/4 miles. Both contracts have been satisfactorily completed. There has been expended on account of the first work \$1,721.00 and on account of the second work \$864.00.

In the year 1879 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - Repairs have been made on this road in the north part of Harvey and the southerly part of Cavendish. 2 1/2 miles have been improved, including in the same distance 33 rods of crossways. Expenditure \$225.62.

In the year 1880 the comments were as follows:

BUCKHORN ROAD - These repairs, extend from the northerly part of Harvey to about the centre concession of Cavendish, a length of 8 miles or thereabout. Expenditure \$322.38.

BUCKHORN ROAD (NORTH) - Improvements have been made on this section of the Buckhorn Road over a distance of about 7 miles, namely, from the Monck Road northerly to the town line between Dysart and Glamorgan. It includes a diversion of 1/8 mile, made to avoid a very undesirable point in the original road. Expenditure \$504.05.

In the year 1881 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - The Buckhorn Road, which runs through the townships of Harvey, Cavendish and Glamorgan was repaired from Lot 23 in the 8th. concession of the first named township, northerly, 10 1/2 miles and of this length 6 miles were very thoroughly improved and in the low lying portions of the road. Expenditure.

In the year 1883 the comments were as follows:

BUCKHORN ROAD - Repaired from the Monck Road north 7 miles and from

Buckhorn north 4 miles. The country is rough and the road is consequently rough, stony and irregular. Expenditure, \$723.00.

In the year 1883 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - 3 1/2 miles were repaired in the County of Victoria and 3 in the County of Peterborough. In the former county the work was through Glamorgan Township and in the latter from Buckhorn, northerly. The road is now reported as in generally good condition. Expenditure \$842.40.

In the year 1884 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - Repairs from about 2 miles north of Buckhorn, northerly 8 miles.

In the year 1885 the comments were as follows: **BUCKHORN ROAD** - 7 miles repaired, beginning about one mile south of the north boundary of Harvey and extending into the township of Cavendish. Expenditure \$400.11.



Centennial Greetings from The Residents of Hyland Crest Home

HALIBURTON'S HOME FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Where the pioneers and history makers of the County live happily in friendly surroundings.

Centennial Celebrations at Hyland Crest will include:

June 18th

Royal Ontario Museum,
Mobile Fossil Museum
Open to public 1:30 - 5 p.m.

June 25th - Over 70's Dinner

July 4th - Gay Nineties Night

Watch for announcements of these and other celebrations - Come and help us celebrate.

THIRD ANNUAL HARCOURT FUN FAIR SAT. AUG. 3RD

1874 - 1974 CENTENNIAL HALIBURTON COUNTY

10:00 AM TO 10:00 PM

BALL TOURNAMENT

10:30 AM

CHILDREN'S RACES

11:00 AM TO 7:00 PM

MIDWAY

1:00 PM

PARADE, BAGPIPES, MAJORETTES
FLOATS, BICYCLES

2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

BINGO

2:00 PM TO 6:00 PM

SKY JUMPERS, ACROBATICS
TUG-O-WAR
PIONEER LOG SAWING CONTEST
LADIES NAIL DRIVING CONTEST
"WIMPY" THE CLOWN

6:30 PM TO 9 PM

AMATEUR TALENT CONTEST

BEER GARDEN 12 NOON TO 9 P.M.

HOT BUFFET SUPPER COMMENCES 4:30

9:00 P.M. TO 1 A.M. - TEEN DANCE - (OUTDOOR)

9:00 P.M. TO 1 A.M. - ADULT DANCE - (INDOOR)

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